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From: Sonya Pennock/R8/USEPA/US
To: DC Orr

Bcc: Carol Campbell
Subject: RE: OU-5 sawdust

I'll forward your concerns about the first meeting to the site team. It may take a few meetings to work out any "glitches" in the process. We do plan on continuing with these Q & A meetings and encourage you to participate.

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Ms. Pennock;

I think we need to acknowledge the miserable failure of your new Q&A sessions for their inability answering the questions of an elected official who has numerous concerns with EPAs' actions in Libby and an obligation to make decisions affecting human health.

The first Q&A answered 1 question in one hour for all of March, 2011. At one hour per month, if I was allowed to dominate every single meeting, I would be waiting over three years to get answers to the questions I have today. That is ridiculous.

Add to that the manner in which Libby Faulk spent 40 minutes on the first question from Mrs. Benson, without ever answering it, and it is obvious that your new Q&A system is designed to squelch public involvement on this site. Especially given the disrespectful manner in which she interrupted me at every opportunity in an effort to disrupt my one single question

for March, 2011. That is a violation of the law, violation of these peoples rights, and violation of common decency.

I have recommended that EPA put together an electronic discussion board which would allow public involvement at the publics' convenience, develop a public record of EPAs' responses, (or non-responses), and actually provide opportunity to share information about this site.

EPA prefers to stall and lie.

My grandchildren deserve better.

Please respond to my questions in an email or letter.

Sincerely, Boompa Orr

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> To: xcav8orr@hotmail.com
> From: Pennock.Sonya@epamail.epa.gov
> Date: Thu, 21 Apr 2011 11:16:31 -0600
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> You should request that the topic be on the agenda for the 5/10 5:30 pm
> Q & A session. Please send your request to Libby Faulk.
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> All;

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> It has been over a month since I asked these questions and I have
 > recieved no response. Can anyone in this group give me clear instruction
 > on protecting the children who play on this material all over town?
 > The material was removed from an Operable Unit of the Superfund Site,
 > that should be an indication that EPA has no concerns with the material.
 > I am still hearing from some of the activists in this issue that the
 > material is contaminated.
 > EPA has a problem with risk communications in Libby. Contradictory
 > information such as this is very unprofessional.
 > Please respond.
 > Sincerely, Boompa Orr

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> Ms. Thomas;

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> Spring is in the air in Libby, MT. As the snow recedes my three,(soon
 > to be four) rambunctious grandchildren are starting to spend more time
 > outdoors.
 > I have asked many questions about the sawdust from OU-5 in my
 > capacity as a Libby City Councilman. EPA has refused to respond to the
 > questions of an elected official.
 > The questions I have today are questions I pose as a Grandfather, a
 > very,very protective Grandfather.
 > We lost Lukes Jrs' father to an industrial accident when my daughter
 > was three months pregnant. Luke is the only member of his fathers family
 > who will carry on the Pederson name. My other two grandsons are of the
 > lineage of DeShazer, a family with a known genetic predisposition for
 > ARD. Their father had leukemia at a young age and has not regained good
 > health. He is often found pushing these boys in the swings.
 > All of my Grandchildren have been born since EPA came to town to
 > "reduce exposures".

> I have sawdust from OU-5 that I have used as a cushion below the
> swings that my grandsons use at my house. When I obtained the sawdust
> from OU-5 I was assured that it had been tested by EPA. OU-5 is an
> Operable Unit of this Superfund site and it made sense that EPA had
> tested the material in light of the studies on bark done by Dr. Tony
> Ward. It also made sense that if EPA found Libby Amphibole fibers in
> that sawdust, they would warn people about it.
> Can you tell me more about the sawdust that my grandchildren are
> playing in? When did EPA notify the public of the test results of the
> sawdust at OU-5? Did EPA have authority or responsibility to warn people
> when those test results came back positive for LA? Are people being
> exposed when they stir up the sawdust used in walking trails, swingsets,
> flowerbeds, or anywhere else this material is used? Does burning this
> material pose a threat to public health? Did EPA track where this
> material was used after it left an Operable Unit of the Libby Asbestos
> Superfund Site?
> Sincerely, "Boompa" Orr
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